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SUBJECT: IRISH MINISTER WILL NOT ATTEND CD MEETING IN NY

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(SBU) Minister for Foreign Affairs Dermot Ahern will not attend the Community of Democracies (CD) meeting of Ministers on October 1 in New York, according to Gavan O'Leary, Deputy Director, Human Rights Unit, Department of Foreign Affairs, to whom POLOFF delivered reftel demarche on September 25. A senior Irish representative will attend in his place, O'Leary said. He indicated that Ireland intends to participate in the biennial Ministerial in Bamako in November 2007, although he could not confirm who from the Irish government would attend.

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